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SUBJ: GATT SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

- 1. EXACT SCHEDULE OF GATT MEETINGS THIS FALL WILL DEPEND ON RESULTS OF TOKYO MINISTERIAL AND DECISIONS BY TNC AT ITS FIRST MEETING IN OCTOBER. SOME OTHER GATT MEETINGS NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO MTN WILL TAKE PLACE. SECRETARIAT HAS DISCUSSED PROSPECTIVE SCHEDULE WITH MISSION WHICH WE PASS ON TO FACILITATE WASHINGTON PREPARATIONS.
- 2. MEETINGS SECRETARIAT CONSIDERS FIRM:
- (A) ANTI-DUMPING COMMITTEE: OCT. 10-12 TREASURY REPRESENTATION NEEDED FOR THIS MEETING.
- (B) TEXTILE NEGOTIATING GROUP: OCT. 10-12, NOV. 5-9, DEC. 3-7.

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(C) CONTRACTING PARTIES 29TH SESSION: NOV. 12-23.

- 3. TENTATIVE DATES FOR OTHER MEETINGS SUBJECT TO FURTHER CONSULTATION WITH KEY DELS (AND POSSIBLE RESHUFFLING TO MINIMIZE OVERLAPS):
- (A) MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ON DAIRY PRODUCTS AND MILK FAT PROTOCOL: SEPT. 24.
- (B) BOP MINI-CONSULTATION: SEPT. 27 (KOREA, SRI LANKA AND INDONESIA; SEC HAD PLANNED COVER INDIA AS WELL BUT WE HAVE NOTIFIED OUR REQUEST FOR FULL CONSULTATION PER STATE 153499 AND SUGGESTED EARLY OCT. FOR INDIA SEPARATELY.)
- (C) CTIP WORKING GROUP 4 ON QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS: OCT. 4-5.
- (D) CTIP WORKING GROUP 1 ON EXPORT SUBSIDIES: MID-OCTOBER, PROBABLY 18-19.
- (E) TARIFF STUDY WORKING PARTY: OCT. 8-12.
- (F) BUDGET COMMITTEE: OCT. 15-19.
- (G) WORKING PARTY ON TRADE WITH POLAND: OCT. 15-19.
- (H) WP ON INDIA/YUGO/UAR TRIPARTITE AGREEMENT: OCT. 22-24.
- (I) TRADE NEGOTIATIONS COMMITTEE: OCT. 25-26.
- (J) COMMITTEE ON TRADE AND DEVELOPMENT: OCT. 29-30.
- (K) CTIP WG 2 ON IMPORT DOCUMENTATION: NOV. 1-2 (OR LATER).
- (L) CTIP WG 3 ON PACKAGING AND LABELLING: NOV. 5-6 (OR LATER).
- (M) COUNCIL: NOV. 7.
- (N) EC-NORWAY: NOV. 8-9. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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4. RE CTIP AND ITS WORKING GROUPS, PARA 3 ABOVE REFLECTS SEC EFFORT ACCOMMODATE SOME OF THE REQUESTS WE MADE PER KELLY (STR) TELECON AUG. 2, I.E. DEFERRAL OF WG 1 TO MID-OCT. AND ELIMINATION OF CTIP MEETING IN OCT. EC HAS NOT YET BEEN CONSULTED ON THESE POINTS. SEC SAYS NOT FEASIBLE MOVE UP WGS 2 AND 3 TO EARLY OCTOBER SINCE UTILITY OF THESE MEETINGS DEPENDS ON RESULTS OF RELATED CCC AND ECE

MEETINGS IN OCTOBER; SEC THINKS IT LIKELY CTIP GROUPS 2 AND 3 MAY NOT BE FEASIBLE UNTIL AFTER CPS 29TH SESSION. SEC AWARE OUR INTEREST IN BACK-TO-BACK MEETINGS OF WG 1 AND 4 BUT MID-OCTOBER TOO CROWEDED TO ACCOMMODATE BOTH AND SEC ANXIOUS HAVE AT LEAST ONE OF THESE GROUPS RESUME WORK EARLY OCTOBER.

5. PER MALMGREN ADVICE DURING PREPCOM, WE HAVE ASKED SEC NOT TO CIRCULATE ANY OFFICIAL DOCUMENTS LISTING CTIP WG MEETINGS AFTER DATE OF FIRST TNC AS THIS TENDS PREJUDGE TNC DECISION.

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